



Executive Department  
State of Idaho

*The Office of the Governor*  
**Proclamation**

State Capitol  
Boise

*WHEREAS, innovation and parental choice is an important element of Idaho's public education system; and*

*WHEREAS, the Idaho Legislature recognized these important elements and passed the Idaho Public Charter School law in 1998; and*

*WHEREAS, there now are more than 8,000 students in 28 public charter schools across the state of Idaho; and*

*WHEREAS, Idaho public charter schools are bringing fresh approaches to public education that renew the excitement of learning among students who have struggled in traditional education settings; and*

*WHEREAS, the demand for public charter schools is illustrated by the parents of more than 4,500 students who are on waiting lists to enroll in charter schools; and*

*WHEREAS, Idaho public charter schools have a demonstrated record of success through higher-than-average Idaho Standard and Achievement Test scores; and*

*WHEREAS, continuing the advancement of innovation, parental choice and excellence in education is a desirable goal that improves education for all Idaho students;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim February 15, 2007*

**PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL DAY**

*in Idaho.*



*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this fifteenth day of February in the year of our Lord two-thousand and seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty first and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred seventeenth.*

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "C.L. Butch Otter", is written over a horizontal line.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER  
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ben Ysursa", is written over a horizontal line.

BEN YSURSA  
SECRETARY OF STATE